RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECT EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

Attorney Docket No.: 54321.000013

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of :

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Group: 1651

Serial No.: 09/462,911 Examiner: M. Meller

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A COMPOSITION COMPRISING AN ENZYME HAVING For:

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NOTICE OF APPEAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.191

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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences the final rejection mailed August 9, 2001, in the above-captioned patent application.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$320.00 for the Notice of Appeal fee. A petition for a three (3) month extension of time with a requisite fee was filed on January 28, 2002, extending the time for filing a Notice of Appeal until February 11, 2002 (since February 9, 2002 fell on a Saturday).

It is believed that no additional fees are due in connection with this response. However, if any fees are determined to be due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge these fees to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

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